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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the first examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as indicated below. A clean copy of the amended claims is attached.

1 Claim 7 (Amended). The method according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1,
2 wherein a parser is employed, to create the graph in step b).

1 Claim 8 (Amended). The method of [any one of claims] claim 1 [to 6], wherein a semantic
2 network generator is employed to create the graph (30) in step b).

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